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## E-Legislative Update

January 28 – February 3, 2013



January 28<sup>th</sup> marks the beginning of the third week of the legislative session and committee hearings in the House and Senate are still in progress. This is the time where you have an opportunity to testify on a bill. If you cannot appear before a committee, [contact your legislator](#) making your position on a bill known. You can do so by writing a letter, sending an e-mail, calling the legislator's Olympia office, or by calling the Legislative Hotline at 1-800-562-6000.

Because the state budget is an overarching issue, the Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs will provide updates on important milestones in budget development as well as focus on bills that impact the Asian American and Pacific Islander community in the areas of education, health care, human services, economic development, and immigration.

The Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs will be providing information weekly through our e-legislative update and website on committee hearings, bills, and other events of interest throughout the legislative session. Our e-legislative update provides a general overview highlighting a few bills of interest to the community while our website hosts a more extensive list of bills utilizing a [bill tracking](#) feature for those community members seeking more information. Highlights from the previous week can be viewed on [TVW's](#) Legislative Review.

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Below are some scheduled meetings and hearings that might be of interest to you.

### Education

#### Early Learning & K-12 Education

**01/28/13 1:30 pm**

Senate Full Committee

Senate Hearing Rm 1

J.A. Cherberg Building

Olympia, WA

#### Public Hearing:

1. [SB 5155](#) - Regarding long-term suspension or expulsion from school.
2. [SB 5244](#) - Regarding school suspensions and expulsions.

3. [SB 5117](#) - Regarding family involvement coordinators in public schools.

### **Higher Education**

**01/29/13 8:00 am**

House Full Committee  
House Hearing Rm A  
John L. O'Brien Building  
Olympia, WA

**Public Hearing:** [HB 1043](#) - Limiting differential tuition

### **Education**

**01/29/13 1:30 pm**

House Full Committee  
House Hearing Rm A  
John L. O'Brien Building  
Olympia, WA

#### **Public Hearing:**

1. [HB 1144](#) - Regarding qualifications for educational interpreters.
2. [HB 1015](#) - Reducing costs by reducing state assessment requirements.

### **Early Learning & K-12 Education**

**01/30/13 1:30 pm**

Senate Full Committee  
Senate Hearing Rm 1  
J.A. Cherberg Building  
Olympia, WA

#### **Public Hearing:**

1. [SB 5237](#) - Establishing accountability for student performance in third grade.
2. [SB 5243](#) - Establishing policies to support academic acceleration for high school students.

### **Education**

**01/31/13 8:00 am**

House Full Committee  
House Hearing Rm A  
John L. O'Brien Building  
Olympia, WA

#### **Public Hearing:**

1. [HB 1178](#) - Authorizing alternative assessments of basic skills for teacher certification.
2. [HB 1283](#) - Changing compulsory school attendance requirements for children six and seven years of age.

### **Education**

**02/01/13 1:30 pm**

House Full Committee  
House Hearing Rm A  
John L. O'Brien Building  
Olympia, WA

**Work Session:** Educational Opportunity Gap.

- a. Recruiting Washington Teachers.
  - b. State Ethnic Commissions and Tribal Leader Congress – Education Initiatives.
  - c. Office of Native Education Report to the Legislature.
  - d. Educational Opportunity Gap Oversight & Accountability Committee Report to the Legislature.
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## **Health Care and Human Services**

### **Community Development, Housing & Tribal Affairs**

**01/30/13 8:00 am**

House Full Committee  
House Hearing Rm E  
John L. O'Brien Building  
Olympia, WA

**Public Hearing:** [HB 1187](#) - Concerning grants for community outdoor and indoor athletic facilities.

### **Ways & Means**

**01/30/13 3:30 pm**

Senate Full Committee  
Senate Hearing Rm 4  
J.A. Cherberg Building  
Olympia, WA

**Public Hearing:** [SB 5103](#) - Concerning grants for community outdoor and indoor athletic facilities.

### **Health Care & Wellness**

**02/01/13 1:30 pm**

House Full Committee  
House Hearing Rm B  
John L. O'Brien Building  
Olympia, WA

**Public Hearing:** [HB 1085](#) - Concerning the Washington health security trust.

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## Economic Development

### Technology & Economic Development

**01/29/13 10:00 am**

House Full Committee

House Hearing Rm C

John L. O'Brien Building

Olympia, WA

#### Public Hearing:

1. [HB 1260](#) - Concerning public facilities' grants and loans.
2. [HB 1301](#) - Creating clean energy jobs in Washington state through renewable energy incentives.

### Labor & Workforce Development

**01/30/13 8:00 am**

House Full Committee

House Hearing Rm D

John L. O'Brien Building

Olympia, WA

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## Budget

### Capital Budget

**01/28/13 1:30 pm**

House Full Committee

House Hearing Rm B

John L. O'Brien Building

Olympia, WA

#### Public Hearing:

1. [HB 1088](#) - Concerning state general obligation bonds and related accounts.
2. [HB 1089](#) - Adopting the 2013-2015 capital budget.

Information is current as of: January 25, 2013.

To find out more information on a particular bill, please visit <http://www.leg.wa.gov>.

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**CAPAA was established by the state legislature in 1974 to improve the well-being of Asian Pacific Americans (APAs) by insuring their access to participation in the fields of government, business, education, and other areas. It has a board made up of 12-governor appointed members that represent the diverse APA communities of Washington State.**

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